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QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS ON INDIAN GOODS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the developed countries have imposed quantitative restrictions on Indian goods;

(b) if so, whether the new tariff barriers faced by the Indian industries in overseas market has severely constraining the country`s export; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to resolve the dispute?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) & (b): Developed countries maintain quotas on certain textiles imports. Similarly there are tariff rate quotas (TRQ) on import of some agricultural products. More recently, certain developed countries have also imposed quantitative and other restrictions in the form of provisional or other safeguard measures on exports of some steel items from India.

(c) : Such measures constraining India`s exports are duly taken up with the concerned authorities of the country concerned bilaterally with a view to its early and mutually satisfactory resolution. Issues not resolved this way and which are perceived to be not in conformity with WTO rules have been taken up for resolution through WTO.